MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): 3 of the 32 permanent Tahsildarships are vacant. 13 of the Tahsildars are Brahmins, 13 Nairs, 1 'Other Caste-Hindu,' 1 Christian and 1 Ezhava.

Munsiffs appointed during the past Fifteen Years.

163. **MR. A J. JOHN** (*Vaikam*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement containing the following particulars:—

(*a*) the total number of Munsiffs, including permanent, temporary and acting, appointed during the last fifteen years (1086-1100);

(*b*) the number of applications received from qualified Roman Catholics including Syrians and Latinites; and

(*c*) the number of Catholics appointed as Munsiffs?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 37, of whom two are now dead.

(*b*) So far as the records go, there have been two applicants.

(*c*) None.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*): May I know the total number of Munsiffs in the State?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The member can see it from the *Civil List*.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*): May I know whether there is any Catholic Munsiff among all the 40 Munsiffs?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I cannot say without reference to the *Civil List*.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*): There is no Catholic Munsiff in the State. May I know whether the Government will be pleased to give the necessary direction to the High Court to consider the case of Catholic applicants?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That will be considered.

The New Collegiate Hostel.

164. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the cost of construction of the Collegiate Hostel;

(*b*) the number of boarders now accommodated in the same; and

(*c*) the maximum available accommodation in the hostel building?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The booked expenditure on the Collegiate Hostel up to the end of Mithunam 1101 is Rs. 1,37,456 and the liabilities yet to be paid for the work already done will come to about Rs. 10,000.

(*b*) 82.

(*c*) 106.

Prosecutions instituted by the Trivandrum Municipality.

165. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of prosecutions under

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